D.Dis 2766 of 1108 that the Government see no reason to revise the orders already passed in the memo, dated 28th June 1932, Pw—3—14187/1107.

(b) Petition dated 27th Meenam 1107 was received.

(c) The petitioners were informed in P. W. D. Memo, dated 28th June 1932 that the aqueduct put up last year was intended only as a temporary measure. It will be put up year after year in time and will answer the purpose satisfactorily. As regards the extension of the canal, the work already done will be watched and if extensions are possible without adversely affecting the vested rights of the existing ayacut it will be done year after year.

(d) In 1106.

(e) The work costs Rs. 2,149—1—0. (This includes land acquisition, channels, dry pitching, sluice work, trough plate and R. C. posts to support the trough plates, etc.)

(f) and (g) The aqueduct serves well for purposes of irrigation as originally intended though supported on temporary arrangements during the time of irrigation, every year, some of the R. C. posts having been damaged during the abnormal floods of 1106.

Canal communication to Kunnamkulam.

108. Mr. K. T. Mathew.—Will the Government be pleased to mention :—

(a) what action has been taken by the Government with reference to the opening of a canal communication to Kunnamkulam since October 1931 ;

(b) whether the Government have been able to device any means of preventing introduction of brackish water to the detriment of paddy lands in opening a canal to Kunnamkulam and if so, what is it?

Mr. M. D. Narayana Ayyar.—(a) It was feared that brackish water may enter the paddy fields if the canal was dug and therefore the Chief Engineer was ordered to device some means to prevent that.

(b) The Chief Engineer suggested certain devices, but owing to lack of funds for the execution of the work, their consideration was put off.

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109. Mr. K. T. Mathew.—Will the Government be pleased to inform :—

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